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FM AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5465

AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

INFO USINT ALGIERS

AMEMBASSY RABAT

AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI

AMEMBASSY TUNIS

C O N F I D E N T I A L BEIRUT 13753

DEPT ALSO PASS USINT CAIRO

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PINS, IV, XF

SUBJECT: RUMORED 'ARAFAT VISIT TO IVORY COAST

REF: ABIDJAN 8312

1. LAST WE HEARD OF 'ARAFAT'S WHEREABOUTS WAS PRESS REPORT HE HAD ARRIVED CAIRO EVENING DEC. 2 FROM TRIPOLI (WHERE HE HELD PRESS CONFERENCE EARLIER THAT DAY) "FOR TALKS WITH HIGH-LEVEL EGYPTIAN OFFICIALS". NO INDICATION OF HOW LONG HE PLANNED STAY IN EGYPT, NOR OF HIS FURTHER DESTINATION.

2. WHOEVER PLO OFFICIAL CITED REFTEL WAS, WE THINK IT UNLIKELY HE WAS 'ARAFAT OR ANY TOP-LEVEL PLO LEADER (MOST OF LATTER ARE CURRENTLY INVOLVED ALMOST DAILY SESSIONS OF PLO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN BEIRUT AND DAMASCUS). AS FOR POSSIBILITY PLO MAY HAVE IN
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MIND USING GOIC AS INTERMEDIARY VIS-A-VIS USG, WE

WOULD NOTE THERE ARE PLENTY OF MORE EFFICIENT CHANNELS
FEDAYEEN COULD USE FOR THIS PURPOSE IF THEY SO DESIRE.
BUFFUM

NOTE BY OC/T: NOT PASSED CAIRO.

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